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Re: Application number 10/086,220
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 Aircraft

Attention: Mr. Stephen A. Holzen

Thank you for your report with the mailing date 10/03/2003
 in respect of patent application number 10/086,220.

I have reworded claim 4 and it has now been shortened.
 The re-written claim 4 is attached, in marked up form, and now
 commences on page 31. Claims 1 to 3 have been cancelled.

The reference to tandem order had been repeated four times in
 the original claim. The reference to tandem order now appears
 twice, once on line line 8, page 31, where tandem order is
 introduced as the arrangement of the primary and secondary
 lifting mechanisms. The second reference to tandem order is on
 line 11, page 35, where the tandem order is referred to as being
 present during flight. I believe that this second reference
 to tandem order is justified considering that the Bell Boeing
 V22 Osprey has a wing that can be rotated horizontally when the
 V22 is stationery on the ground. When the wing is in a position
 that is used for flight, the rotors are on the sides of the
 V22, and when the V22 prepares for storage, the wing rotates
 horizontally and is lined up with the main body, with the rotors
 then being placed in tandem order with respect to the main body.
 The V22 can't fly while the rotors are in tandem order.

With respect to "the secondary tilt enabling joint" in line
 16, page 44 of the original claim 4, these lines have been moved
 and now appear at lines 13 to 20 on page 34, after the secondary
 tilt enabling joint has been introduced.